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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FOLEY.

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 321, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to fire protection districts.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 321, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 321.227, to read as follows:

321.227. 1. Any fire protection district that provides emergency ambulance service  
2 pursuant to section 321.225 may, in addition to its other powers and duties, provide  
3 nonemergency ambulance service within its district if a majority of the voters voting  
4 thereon approve a proposition to provide nonemergency ambulance service and to use a  
5 fee approved by the voters of the district for the nonemergency ambulance service. The  
6 district shall exercise the same powers and duties in operating a nonemergency ambulance  
7 service as it does in operating its fire protection service, except that the district shall not  
8 use any existing funds from the fire district for the provision of the nonemergency  
9 ambulance service, and the district shall exclusively fund the operation of the  
10 nonemergency ambulance service with the fee structure for such service.

11 2. The proposition to provide nonemergency ambulance service may be submitted  
12 by the board of directors at any municipal general, primary or general election, or at any  
13 election of the members of the board.

14 3. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form:

15 Shall the board of directors of (name of district) Fire Protection District be  
16 authorized to provide nonemergency ambulance service within the district using a fee of  
17 (amount of fee) for nonemergency ambulance service?

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YES

NO

19           **4. If a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question described in**  
20 **subsection 3 of this section are in favor of such question, such district shall commence such**  
21 **service at the beginning of the district fiscal year immediately following the passage of such**  
22 **question.**

23           **5. For purposes of this section, "nonemergency ambulance service" shall mean the**  
24 **regular activity by a qualified ambulance service for the purpose of providing response and**  
25 **prehospital nonemergency services including, but not limited to, patient assessment, patient**  
26 **treatment, patient preparation for transport and patient transport to appropriate health-**  
27 **care facilities.**